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PREVIOUSLY IN KING SPAWN

Disruptor and the Court of Priests have invaded Hell in search of Wanda Blake's soul, only to come face-to-face with BRIMSTONE.

REPORTS FROM THE FRONT LINES INDICATE SOME OF KING SPAWN'S SERVANTS, LED BY DISRUPTOR, HAVE ENTERED THE SOUTHERN CORNER OF HELL.

THE **'DEAD ZONES'** MAY HAVE FINALLY BEEN OPENED ONCE MORE AS THIS ARMY OF INTRUDERS, HAVING BREACHED OUR DOMAIN, HAS GIVEN RISE TO AN **IMMINENT** WAR ABOUT TO BE BIRTHED.



THE ANCIENT SCROLLS FORETOLD OF THIS INVASION, OUTCASTS LIKE THE OFFERING AND A HANDFUL OF ROGUE ANGELS HAVE MADE THEIR MOVE. FOR NOW, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT ANY OF THIS MEANS FOR HEAVEN. EARLY INTEL SAYS THEY ARE SEARCHING FOR THE INTERLOPER, DISRUPTOR AND THE HORDE THAT FOLLOWED HIM.

ALL ARE ASSUMED DANGEROUS AS SOME OF THEIR KIND ARE **NOT EQUIPPED** TO SUSTAIN THE RIGORS OF EXISTING OUTSIDE THEIR OWN EARTHLY TERRAIN. TIME WILL EVENTUALLY SAP THEM OF THEIR

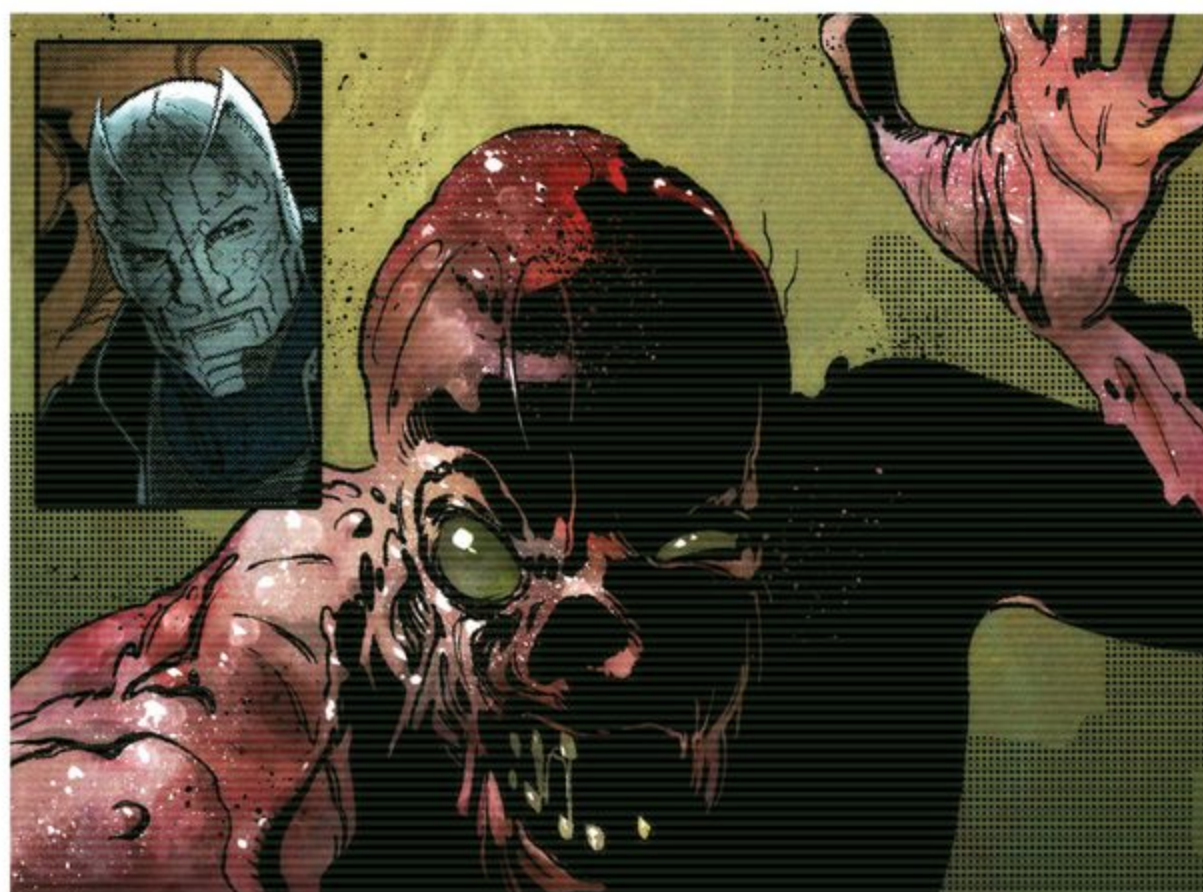
SANITY.



IT'S HAPPENING!

AND A MAD SCRAMBLE TO PIERCE THE OPENED 'DEAD ZONES' HAS LED TO A MULTI-TIERED FIGHT AMONGST THOSE WHO ONCE WERE LOYAL ALLIES. EACH OF THEM FOR THEIR OWN REASONS WANT TO RETURN **BACK** TO HELL - - ALONG WITH HUMANS WHO ARE IGNORANT OF WHAT AWAITS MOST OF THEM UPON THEIR ARRIVAL. WE WILL FEED OFF THEIR BODIES UNTIL THERE IS NOTHING FOR THEM TO FIGHT OVER. NO KINGS, NO THRONES. NO GODS. JUST ETERNAL

DARKNESS.







...YOU'RE
GOING TO LEARN TO
KNEEL, TOO.

HE PULLS HIS TRIGGER BUT IT'S
NOT JUST A BULLET THAT'S
RELEASED, IT'S A **SENTIENT**
WEAPON HE UNLEASHES.



CATCHING MORANA OFF
GUARD, AS NONE OF
THE COURT HAS SEEN
THIS WEAPON BEFORE!



AND THEIR
HESITATION
COSTS
GODSEND
HIS LIFE!



BEND
YOUR KNEE,
THEN TAKE ME TO
EARTH AND I MIGHT
LET YOU SEW YOUR
FRIENDS HEAD
BACK ON.

FOR NOW,
DISRUPTOR WILL
DEBRIEF YOU. I'LL
HELP GET THE SOUL
YOU'RE LOOKING FOR
THEN WE HEAD
OUT.

YOU GOOD
WITH THAT,
SOLDIER?

YES
SIR. BUT YOU
NEED TO KNOW
SOMETHING
FIRST.

AND SO, DISRUPTOR UNFOLDS
THE TALE OF SPAWN. THE
PROPHECY THAT HE WILL OPEN
THE DEAD ZONES, BECOME
HELL'S KING THEN LAY WASTE
TO THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT.

BRIMSTONE SHARES
TOO. HE COULD CARE
LESS ABOUT KINGS OR
THRONES. TERRITORY IS
WHAT HE CRAVES. EARTH
IS HIS PRIZED TERRITORY.

THEN HE ADDS;
"WANDA IS HERE.
BUT SHE ISN'T
EXACTLY WHAT
YOU'RE EXPECTING."

BACK ON EARTH...

TERRY FITZGERALD
QUESTIONS HIS OWN
LOYALTY TO SPAWN.

DON'T
USUALLY FOLLOW
PEOPLE I'M AFRAID OF
INTO ABANDONED
BUILDINGS.

CAN'T
CONTROL WHAT
YOU'RE AFRAID OF,
AND THIS PLACE ISN'T
ABANDONED. THE
'PSALMS 137' GROUP
IS STILL ACTIVE.

THEY'RE
RALLYING AROUND
SOMETHING. IT WAS
KINCAID AT FIRST, BUT
THEY WOULDN'T COME
OUT OF HIDING IF
THEY THOUGHT THEY
WEREN'T BEING
PROTECTED.

PROTECTED?

THAT'S
FAIRLY
IRONIC.

YOU GOT
SOMETHING
YOU WANT
TO SAY,
TERRY?

I GOT
A GODDAMN
LITANY OF THINGS
I WANT TO
SAY!

STARTING
WITH CYAN!
I HAVEN'T
HEARD FROM MY
DAUGHTER FOR
WEEKS.

WHY?!

I THINK
YOU'RE HIDING
SOMETHING
FROM ME!



PULL THE
TRIGGER, **GO AHEAD!**
WE BOTH KNOW IT WON'T DO
A DAMN THING TO ME. AND IF
IT DID, THEN HOW DO YOU
GET ANSWERS TO YOUR
QUESTIONS?

SO,
STOP ACTING
CRAZY.

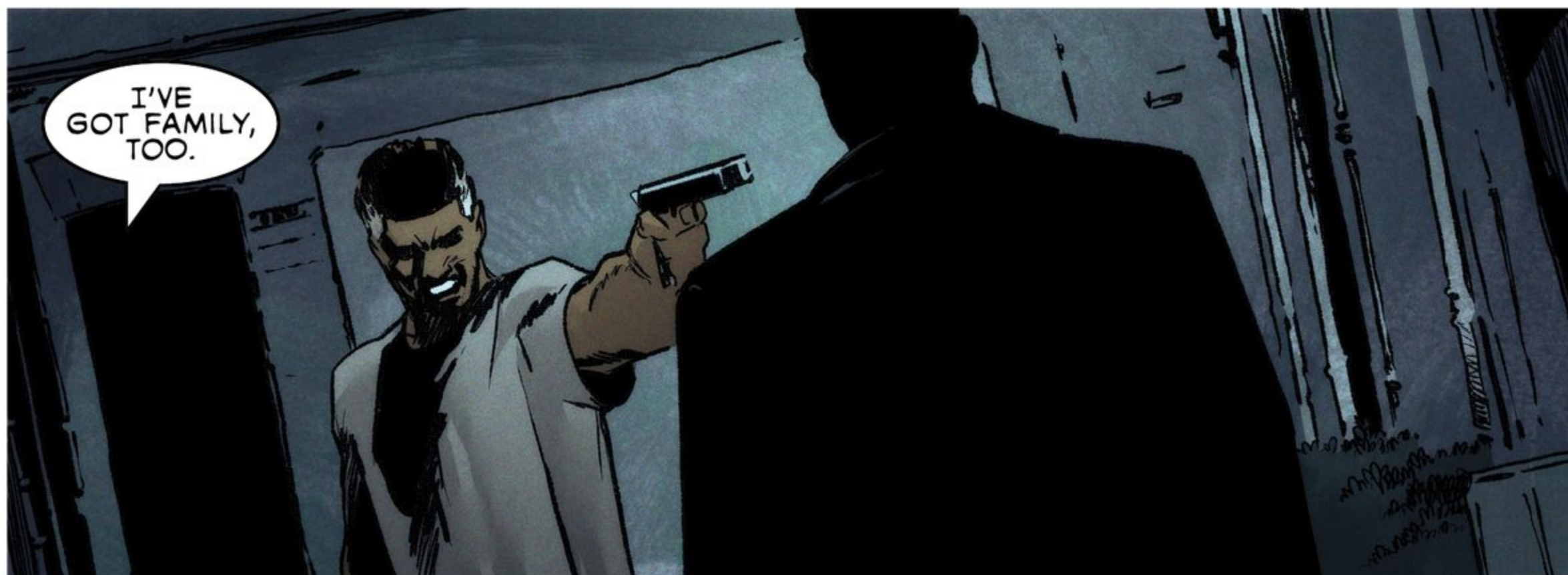
AS FOR
CYAN, I DON'T KNOW
WHERE SHE IS, BUT SHE'S
AWARE SHE NEEDS TO HIDE
WHILE THIS WAR PLAYS OUT.
SHE'S TOO EASY A **TARGET**
FOR THEM TO USE
AGAINST YOU.

BUT I CAN TELL
YOU THIS - - ANOTHER
SPAWN CAME TO ME SAYING
SOMEONE'S TRYING TO USE ME.
SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T THINK
I'M A KING, THEY THINK
I'M A **PAWN**.

SO,
I WENT BACK
TO THE BEGINNING.
TO PSALMS 137'S
FIRST ATTACK.

TO THE
GRAVESITES OF THE
KIDS THEY KILLED. GUESS
WHAT? THEIR HEADSTONES
HAD ALL BEEN
MARKED.

AND
THEIR FAMILIES...
THEY'RE MISSING.
ALL OF THEM.
SO, WHATEVER'S
GOING ON IN
YOUR HEAD RIGHT
NOW, TERRY, I
NEED YOU TO
DROP IT.



I'VE
GOT FAMILY,
TOO.



THEN
LET ME HELP.
BOTH YOU
AND CYAN.



HOW?
LIKE THE WAY
YOU HELPED
WANDA GET
KILLED?



OR THE
DELUSION YOU HAVE
ON BRINGING HER
BACK?

YOU
CAN'T SAVE
ANY OF
US.



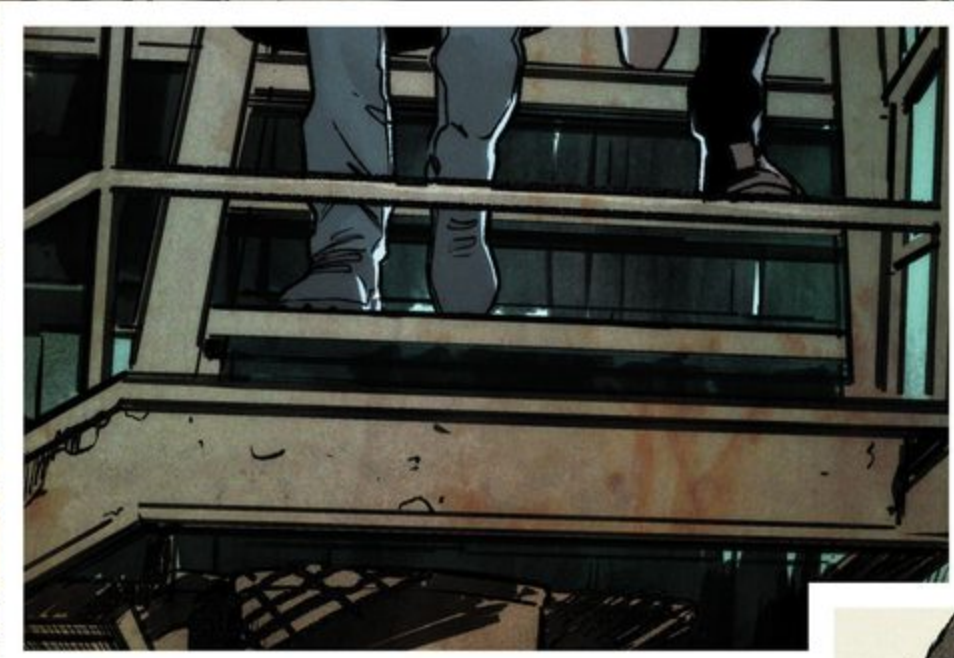
YOU'RE NOT
WORTH THE
BULLET.

BEGRUDGINGLY,
HE FOLLOWS AL.



Christ.

WHO
WOULD DO
THIS?



IT'S THE
PARENTS.

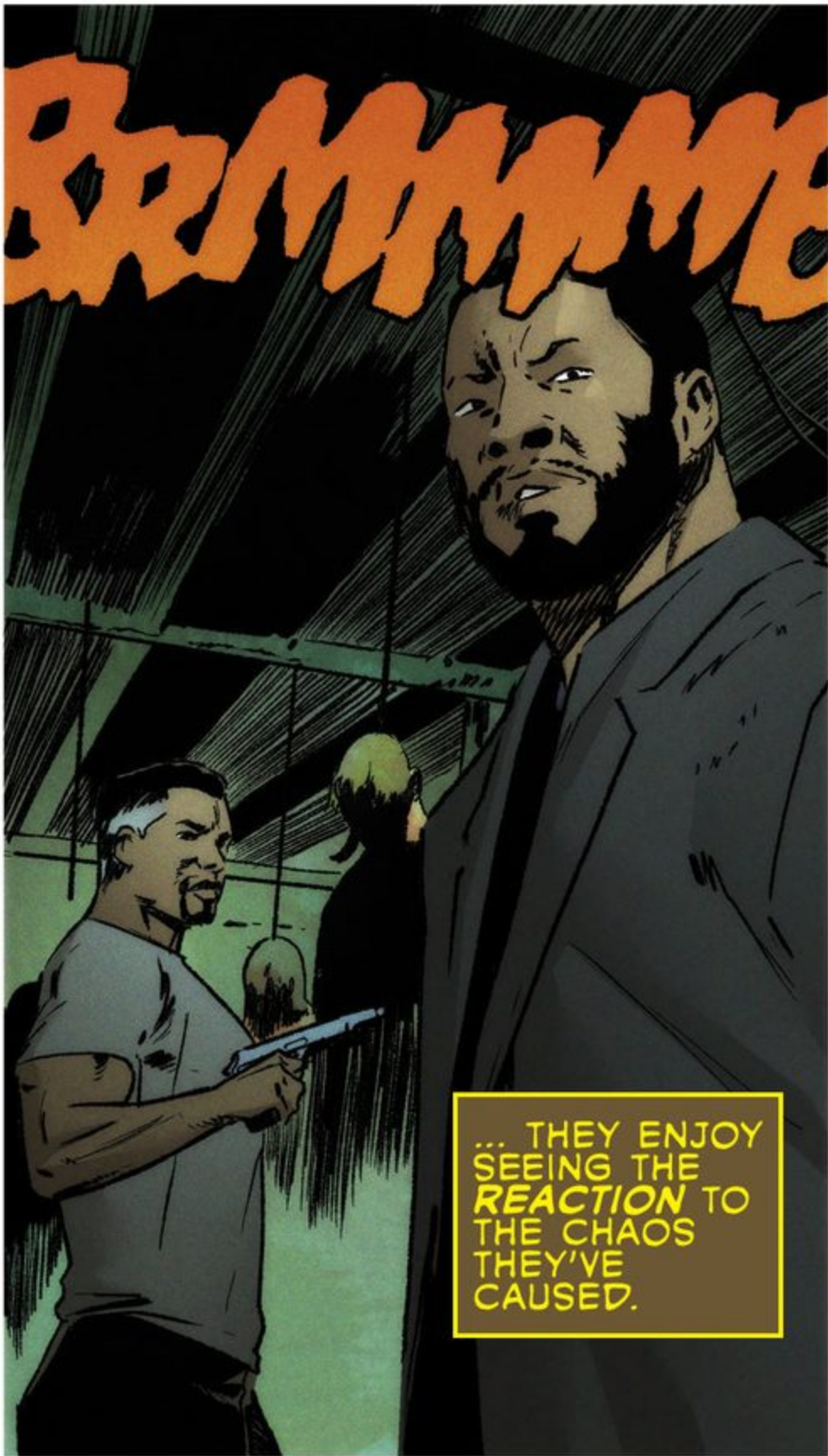
A YEAR AGO, A TEACHER, FOLLOWING
PSALMS 137, SET OFF A BOMB IN
HIS CLASSROOM, KILLING DOZENS
OF CHILDREN ALONG WITH HIMSELF.
THAT TRAGIC EVENT DREW SPAWN
INTO THE WORLD OF PSALMS 137.

ORIGINALLY FUNDED BY THE *COURT
OF PRIESTS*, SOME PSALMS ZEALOTS
HAD GONE ROGUE. THESE INDEPENDENT
MEMBERS WERE ALL COMMITTED
TO THE CAUSE OF BRINGING
THE END TIMES TO EARTH.



AND WERE MAKING GOOD ON A
PROMISE THEY MADE TO SPAWN,
THAT IF HE DIDN'T TAKE HIS
PLACE AS THEIR KING, THEY'D
BEGIN KILLING AND THE VICTIMS'
BLOOD WILL BE ON SPAWN.

BUT AL SIMMONS KNOWS
ONE THING ABOUT
TERRORISTS LIKE THIS...



... THEY ENJOY
SEEING THE
REACTION TO
THE CHAOS
THEY'VE
CAUSED.



YOU
HIT THE WEST
HALLWAY, I'LL TAKE
THE NORTH
SIDE.

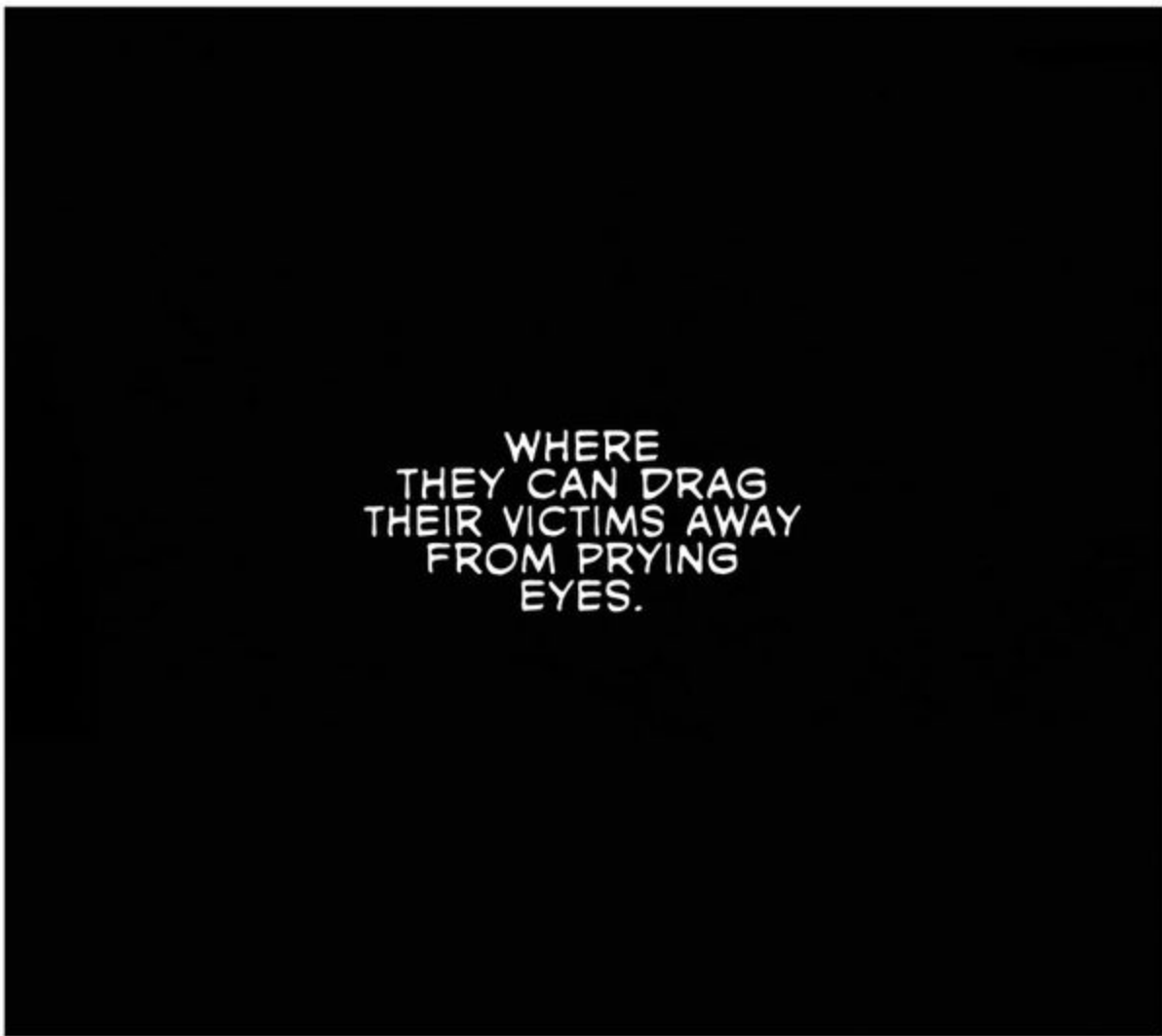
I'LL CIRCLE
BACK IN TEN
MINUTES.



FOR TERRY, THE
THING HE'S
LEARNED ABOUT
COWARDS...



THEY LIKE TO
HIDE IN THE
SHADOWS.



WHERE
THEY CAN DRAG
THEIR VICTIMS AWAY
FROM PRYING
EYES.





GUNSHOTS
ALWAYS
TRIGGER
SIMMONS.
IT TURNS A
SWITCH ON
IN HIM.

A SWITCH HIS
ENEMIES USUALLY
WISH THEY'D
LEFT ALONE.

HE SMELLS SULFUR.
FORMALDEHYDE.
AND GUN POWDER.
HIS ENEMY IS NEAR.

**SHOW
YOURSELF!**

BUT IT
DOESN'T.



IT ALWAYS
PLAYS CAT
AND MOUSE.



YOU...
COME TO
ME.

WHO
ARE
YOU?



BEHEMOTH!

HE'S A MONSTER REVERED BY PSALMS 137. WITH A BODY LIKE IRON AND THE DESIRE TO ATTAIN THE SAME GOAL AS THE CULT.

HE TOO, WANTS THE END TIMES - - AND HE WANTS MORE. HE WANTS SPAWN ON THE THRONE DIRECTING THE DEMISE OF EARTH.

HE WANTS TO WATCH THE DESTRUCTION OF **BOTH** HEAVEN AND HELL. SPAWN, HE BELIEVES CAN DELIVER THAT FOR HIM.



BUT SPAWN'S EARS
ARE FILLED WITH THE
MUSINGS OF DEATH
AND DESTRUCTION
SPEWED FROM THE
TONGUE OF THE
GIGANTIC **BEHEMOTH!**

WE DID NOT
END WITH KINCAID.
WE WATCHED. WAITED.
THEN BECAME **REBORN**.
'THE COURT' RE-CONFIGURED
ITSELF, THEN **CAST BREATH**
INTO MY LUNGS SO THAT
I WOULD COME BACK TO
LIFE!

THAT
I MIGHT JOIN
MY MAKERS TO
CREATE AN ARMY
LIKE NONE
BEFORE.

THE
COURT OF
PRIESTS.

THE
ORACLES
OF THE
GREEN.

TOGETHER
WE'LL BRING
FORTH A
CLEANSING
FIRE.

YOU'RE
KID KILLERS,
THAT'S ALL
YOU ARE!

DELUDE
YOURSELF ALL
YOU WANT, THAT
WON'T CHANGE
ANYTHING!

YOU KILL
BABIES AND THEIR
LOVED ONES --
GO F*CK YOUR
PROPHECIES!

THEN
STOP
US.

THAT'S EXACTLY
THE INVITATION
SPAWN WANTED.





OR MORE SPECIFICALLY, IT'S WHAT SPAWN "NEEDED". HIS RAGE AT ANY AND ALL INVOLVED WITH THE **SLAUGHTER** OF CHILDREN HAS HIT A BOILING POINT.



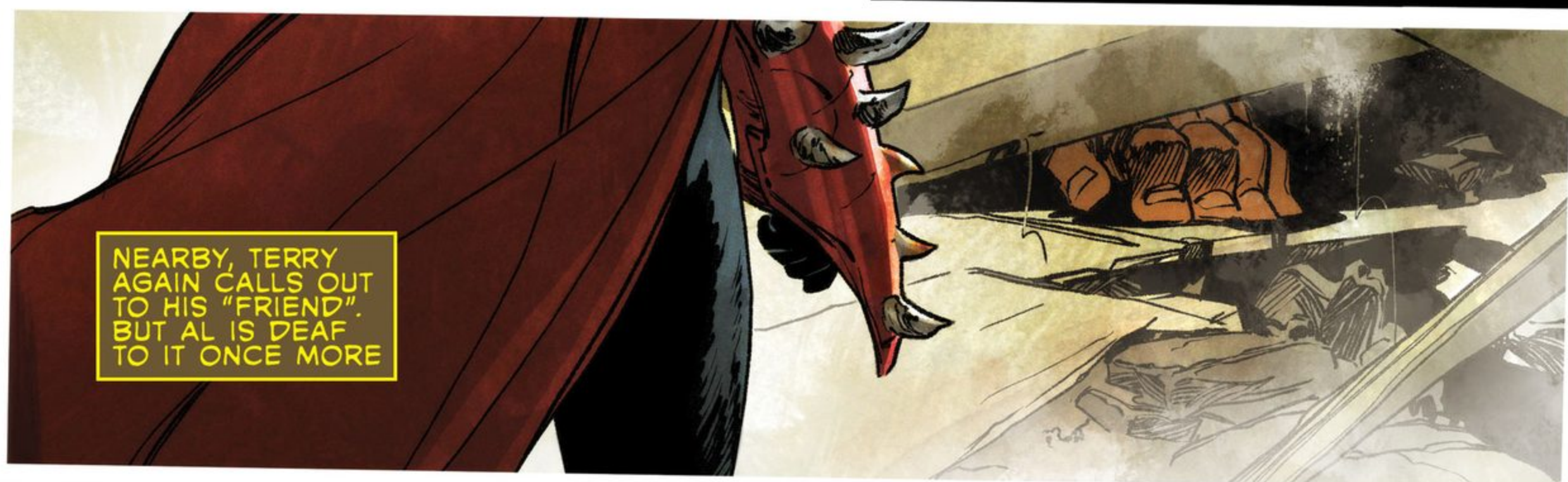
AND WHEN HE UNLEASHES THAT FURY, IT DISPLAYS THE REASON HELL CHOSE AL TO BE A HELLSPAWN IN THE FIRST PLACE.



SURELY, YOU DON'T FALL THAT EASY?



YOU'RE NOT *THAT* PATHETIC.



NEARBY, TERRY AGAIN CALLS OUT TO HIS "FRIEND". BUT AL IS DEAF TO IT ONCE MORE

AS ANY OUTSIDE NOISE IS DROWNED
OUT BY SOUNDS ECHOING THROUGH
THE MAIN CHAMBER. FOR THE BEAST
-- **THIS BEHEMOTH** -- HAS RISEN
WITH A RAGE OF ITS OWN.

LET'S FIND
OUT WHICH OF
US HELL CREATED
TO BE MORE
SUPERIOR!

THOUGH ONE OF BEHEMOTH'S
ARMS IS INJURED, HE'S
FOUGHT HUNDREDS OF
BATTLES WHERE PAIN AND
AGONY WERE THE ACCEPTED
PRICE FOR THE HONOR TO
FIGHT AGAINST HIS ENEMIES.

TONIGHT,
THAT HONOR
IS FOCUSED
ON SPAWN.





YOU'VE
DESECRATED THE
WORK OF THOUSANDS!
THEY GAVE THEIR SOULS
SO THAT A NEW KING
MIGHT RISE AND **LEAD**
THEM SO THEY WON'T
HAVE TO SUFFER
ANYMORE.

BEHEMOTH SHOVES
A STEEL GIRDER INTO
HIS INJURED STUMP.



IN WAR "YOU DO
WHAT YOU **MUST**".



THEY GAVE
EVERYTHING
FOR YOU!!



SPAWN
PLAYS
BY THAT
SAME
RULE.

BUT BEFORE HE CAN
LAND HIS BLOW THE
CREATURE IS *GONE!* LIKE
HE WAS NEVER THERE.

NOT EVEN SPAWN IS USED TO
A VANISHING TRICK OF THAT
MAGNITUDE. BUT, WAS THAT
ALL IT WAS, JUST SOME
HELLISH, SADISTIC TRICK?

SPAWN QUICKLY
TURNS TO OTHER
MATTERS.



TERRY?
YOU
THERE?

BEHIND
HIM A
SHADOW
MOVES.



BEHEMOTH,
AGAIN?





YOUR
MOTHER.

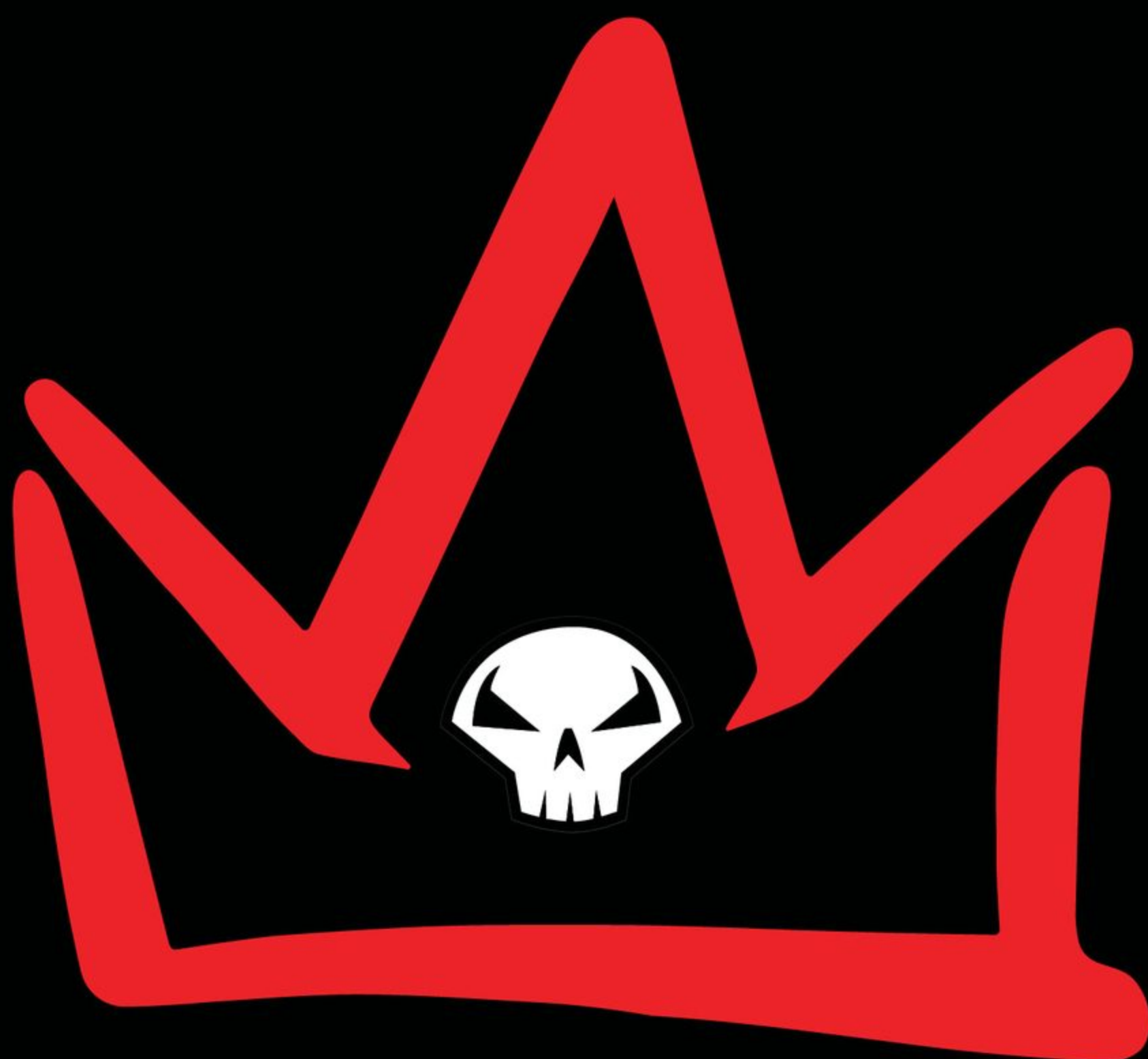
WHO IS
RESPONSIBLE
FOR HER
DEATH?

ORACLE APPEARS WITH THE
'KINGSLAYER' THE BOY WHO'S
BODY WAS VAPORIZED IN THE
SCHOOL BOMBING. HE LED
ORACLE TO THIS PLACE SENSING
HIS MOTHER WAS IN DANGER.

HOPING TO HELP
HER, HE INSTEAD
FINDS ONLY HER
DEAD REMAINS.

AND THOUGH THESE
INHABITANTS OF "THE
GREEN" HAVE THEIR
ISSUES WITH SPAWN,
THEIR FIRST **PRIORITY** IS
TO PROTECT THEIR OWN.

TO ACCOMPLISH THAT, THEY
TOO WILL NEED THE '**DEAD
ZONES**' TO BE BLOWN
WIDE OPEN!



SPAWNING GROUND

PRESENTS:

MAILBAG

Having fun at the office as "Spawntometrist" - Please share in the Spawning Ground. I hope everyone had a Happy Spawnoween.

-DAVE P



Thanks for sharing the pic, Dave. It's always fun to see Spawn showing up in places you'd least expect. Also, great mask. Now I need one!

-THOMAS

Lorenzo, this is some fantastic Toy Photography! Thank you so much for sharing. It always amazes me how creative the Spawn fans are!

-THOMAS

Hi, Spawn creative! I've been a long-time Spawn fan since the very first issue came out back when I was a teen. I just wanted to let you know that all the new Spawn series are amazing; Brett Booth's art and Stephen Segovia is a great torch pass from the Toddfather. Keep it up! Here's an illustration I did as a Silver Surfer-inspired Spawn mashup. I call it "soul surfer" I'd be super pumped if you publish it in fan art...either way I just wanted to pay homage to Todd and his creation, that has had a huge impact on me!

-RYAN P

Thanks for sharing this awesome cover, Ryan. I am a big fan of the Silver Surfer as well, I so I really dig it!

-THOMAS



In the Spawn Universe, there is only one KING!

Hello, all at Spawn HQ! I would love to share some of my art with you guys. I would love to be featured in a comic one day!

-LORENZO V



Do you have a question or comment about Spawn? If so, e-mail it to us at:
spawningground@mcfarlane.com

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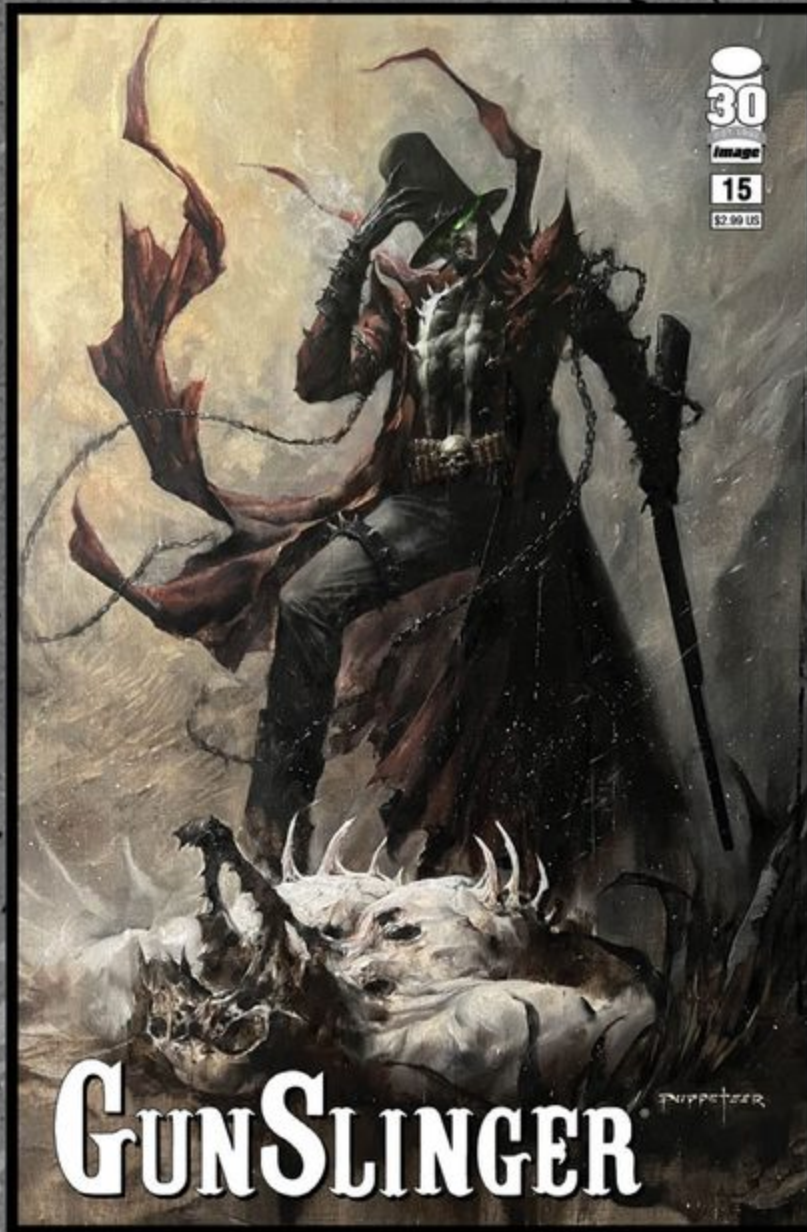
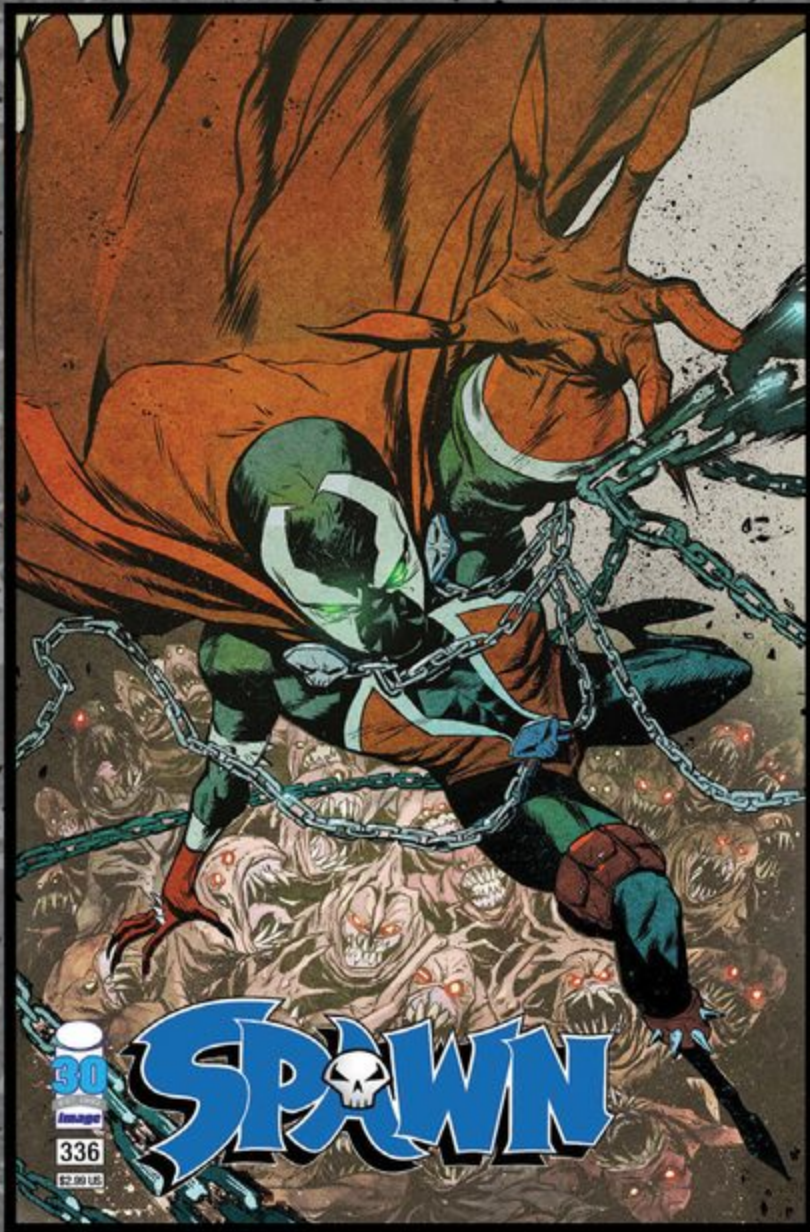
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SPAWN

**KING
SPAWN**

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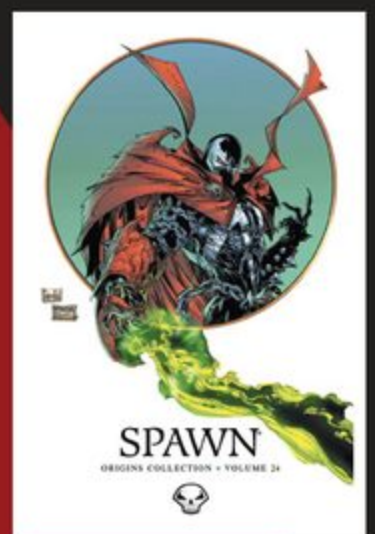
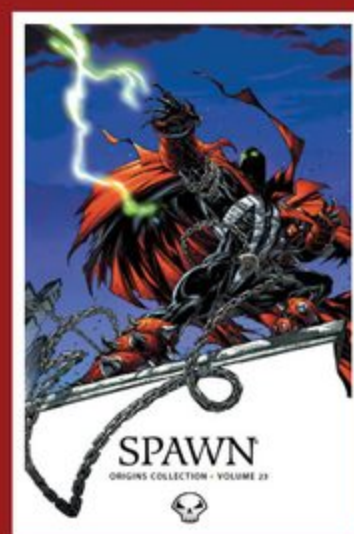
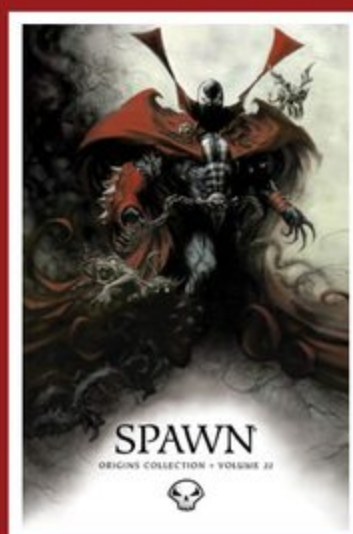
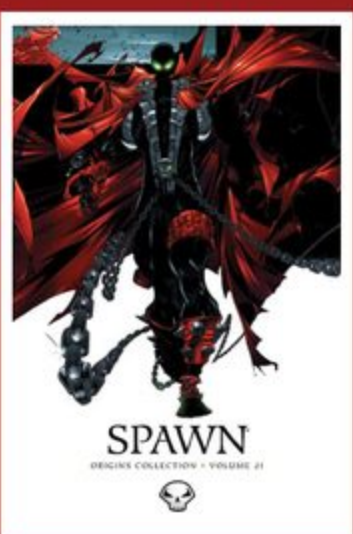
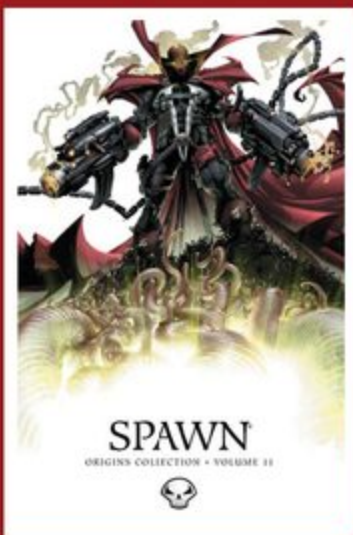
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